

United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

			•	
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/620,164	07/14/2003	James A. Rowe	9505	
7590 10/03/2005		•	EXAMINER	
Antoinette M. Tease, P.L.L.C.			BUNIN, ANDREW M	
PO Box 51016			С————————	
Billings, MT 59105			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			3743	
			DATE MAIL ED: 10/03/2005	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

5

APPLICATION NO./
CONTROL NO.

FILING DATE
FIRST NAMED INVENTOR /
PATENT IN REEXAMINATION

EXAMINER

ART UNIT
PAPER

092005

DATE MAILED:

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Commissioner for Patents

The timely submission under 37 CFR 1.129(a) filed on July 5, 2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because it lacks a response to the office action sent on June 28, 2005 in which elected claims 1-7 were rejected over the prior art. Applicant may include an argument traversing the requirement for restriction; however, applicant must also discuss the rejection of claims 1-7 (elected via telephone on June 20, 2005) on the merits. Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). If a notice of appeal and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) were filed prior to or with the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r), the payment of the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(r) by applicant is construed as a request to dismiss the appeal and to continue prosecution under 37 CFR 1.129(a). The appeal stands dismissed.

Hernry Bannett Supervisory Balent Examiner